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## A MOTHER'S LOVE.

When a boy is far away from home,  
What pleases him the most?  
Why, it's when a letter comes to him  
From mother thro' the post!  
No matter if the silver hairs  
Appear upon his head,  
He's still his mother's boy as when  
His hair was carrot red!

Thirty years have left their marks  
And seared his careworn face,  
In mother's eye he's yet a lad  
Without Time's tell-tale trace!  
His letter thus begins: "Dear boy;"  
It sets his heart athrill  
To think that mother knows him as  
A little shaver still!

His mother's dream is as a charm  
The sesame of youth!  
He feels that age has naught to do  
With Love or Life or Truth  
No'er he gets a letter from  
His mother far away,  
He sees naught but the guileless  
Child,  
And the man grown gray.

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is the breath of vernal shower,  
His collected treasures sweet,  
His music's melting fall, but sweet-  
est  
His small voice of gratitude.



(Condensed from the American Bee Journal.)

The National Bee-Keepers' Convention met in the lecture room of the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences on Sept. 10th. President E. R. Root called the meeting to order at 7.30 p. m. Rev. E. T. Abbott, offered prayer. Mayor Diehl, of Buffalo, was then introduced to the Convention and delivered an address of welcome which was suitably responded to by Rev. E. T. Abbott. On the motion of Dr. A. B. Mason, seconded by Mr. Abbott, it was carried that the members of the Ontario Bee-keepers' Association be given the privilege of the floor, to participate in all discussions and to answer questions and to feel perfectly at home. Mr. John Newton, President of the Ontario Association, replied thanking the Convention for the privilege.

Pres. Root—We have no set program. We are trying the experiment of having just a question box, and it possibly may be a failure, but we have some men here who, we know, if they have a mind to, can make it a